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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Army National Guard (ARNG) Radiation Safety Training, FY04 Schedule

1. The U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command (CECOM), Directorate for Safety, as Radiation Safety Staff Officer (RSSO) for the National Guard Bureau (NGB), is pleased to announce the Radiation Safety Training Schedule for FY04. Four 40-hour Radiation Safety Officer (RSO) Training Courses, three 24-hour Radioactive Commodity Identification and Transportation (RCIT) Training Courses, three 8-hour AN/UDM-2 RADIAC Calibrator Set Operator Training Courses and one 40-hour LORAD RSO Training Course will be offered.

2. The following information is provided for you to meet your radiation safety training needs. Please note that the information below lists the course locations, the course dates, the **"bold print" application suspense dates (i.e., the cut-off date to apply for training)** and the name of the primary instructor.

- a. RSO, Miami, FL, 8 - 12 DEC 03, **20 OCT 03** Gary Ziola.
- b. RCIT, Phoenix, AZ, 10 - 12 FEB 04, **16 DEC 03**, Al Perrella.
- c. RSO, San Diego, CA, 22 - 26 MAR 04 **26 JAN 04**, Nick Bykovetz.
- d. RSO, New Orleans, LA, 19 - 23 APR 04, **23 FEB 04** Burt Cummings.
- e. LORAD RSO, AVCRAD, CT, 3 - 7 MAY 04, **8 MAR 04** Nick Bykovetz.
- f. RCIT, Houston, TX, 22 - 24 JUN 04, **27 APR 04**, Hugo Bianchi.
- g. AN/UDM-2 Operator, Fort Monmouth, NJ, 27,28,29 JUL 04, **1 JUN 04**, Alice Kearney.
- h. RSO, Greenwich, CT, 9 - 13 AUG 04, **14 JUN 04**, Hugo Bianchi.
- i. RCIT, Chicago, IL, 24 - 26 AUG 04, **29 JUN 04** Barry Silber.

3. The 40-hour RSO Training Course is intended to qualify an individual as a State RSO (SRSO), Alternate SRSO (ASRSO), Local RSO (LRSO) or Alternate LRSO (ALRSO) for Individually Controlled Radioactive Items (ICRI) within your state, such as the MC-1 Soil, Moisture, Density Tester or the AN/UDM-2 RADIAC Calibrator Set. Attendance at this course is restricted to personnel designated to serve as RSO in any of the aforementioned capacities. NOTE: It is recommended that LRSOs and ALRSOs for the United States Property & Fiscal Offices (USP&FO) attend our 24-hour RCIT Course. They will only be accepted to the 40-hour RSO course if slots remain after we have placed applicants that fit into the above categories.

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4. The 24-hour RCIT Training Course is intended to qualify an individual as an LRSO or ALRSO at the USP&FO. This course will train individuals to identify, monitor, store, handle, sign shipping papers and transport radioactive commodities. NOTE: The RCIT course is not an alternative to our 40-hour RSO course and will not qualify personnel as an SRSO or ASRSO for any State Radiation Safety Program or any ICRI.

5. The 40-hour LORAD RSO Training Course is intended to qualify an individual as RSO for the units that possess the LORAD Model LPX-160 non-destructive portable x-ray system. NOTE: The 40-hour LORAD RSO course is not an alternative to our 40-hour RSO course and will not qualify personnel as RSO or ARSO for any State Radiation Safety Program or any ICRI.

6. The 8-hour AN/UDM-2 RADIAC Calibrator Set Operator Training Course is intended to qualify an individual as an operator for the AN/UDM-2 in order to perform calibrations of RADIAC equipment.

7. Trained personnel who presently serve in SRSO, ASRSO, LRSO, and ALRSO positions are encouraged to attend these courses as refresher training. PLEASE NOTE: State RSOs and Alternate SRSOs are required by NGR 385-11 to attend a minimum of eight hours of refresher training at an interval not to exceed 24 months. As per our policy, priority placement will be given to newly appointed personnel that have not been trained.

a. Application Procedures:

(1) Technicians. Submit DD Form 1556 through appropriate training channels to the following address:

Commander
U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command
ATTN: AMSEL-SF-RE (*Name of Primary instructor/Course Location*)
Fort Monmouth, NJ 07703-5024

(2) AGR and M-Day Soldiers. Submit NGB Form 64 through appropriate training channels to the following address:

Commander
U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command
ATTN: AMSEL-SF-RE (*Name of Primary Instructor/Course Location*)
Fort Monmouth, NJ 07703-5024

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(3) Block 18 of DD Form 1556 or Block 34 of NGB Form 64 must include a justification for attendance. This justification will indicate the radiation safety position of the applicant and the date (if any) of their last radiation training. Ensure the approval Blocks 32, 33, and 34 of DD Form 1556 or the approval Blocks 36, 37, and 38 of the NGB Form 64 are filled out and signed. Failure to meet the suspense date and completely fill out the application, will result in return of the incomplete application without action.

(4) In addition, we (your NGB RSSO) require that all FY04 Radiation Safety Training requests be signed off with the statement "Approved for training" and the Name of the State Radiation Safety Officer or alternate. We recommend you put this information in block 18. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in return of the incomplete application without action.

b. **Course Application Suspense Date:** We must receive your approved DD Form 1556 or NGB Form 64 by the suspense date listed in paragraph 2. (We highly recommend faxing the **approved copy**, then mailing the originals.)

c. **Acceptance Criteria:** Applications will be prioritized based upon current or future duty responsibilities, prior training, and the number of requests from the individual State.

d. **Acceptance Notification:** We will notify each applicant of the acceptance or non-acceptance of their application. Letters of acceptance, to include specific instructions regarding course location, hotel arrangements, reporting times and the course training materials will be provided via overnight mail. (**Important NOTE:** If you do not receive notification of the status of your application within two weeks after the suspense date, contact the primary instructor for the course.) To support the overnight mailing, it is important for you to provide a valid street mailing address (DD Form 1556, block 12 - Organization Mailing Address) that includes your street address, building/room number, city, state, and zip code and a commercial telephone number. A Post Office Box is not acceptable. Under no circumstances is anyone to come to any course without a letter of acceptance from the RSSO.

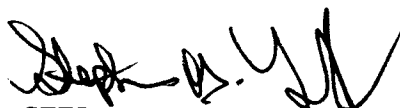
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8. To contact an instructor listed in paragraph 2, call DSN 987-3112, ext. XXXX or Commercial (732) 427-3112, ext. XXXX, Facsimile DSN 992-6403 or Commercial (732) 542-7161. Extensions and E-mail addresses are:

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